

# PUBLIC LEDGER

SEVENTH YEAR.

MAYSVILLE, KY., TUESDAY, JULY 12, 1898.

ONE CENT.



LARGEST IN THE CITY.

## Purely Business!

The column of a newspaper can never be a cash value. No publisher can afford to pay a cent for it. It is not free any more than a merchant can afford to pay a cent for his goods. The publisher of a newspaper is a legitimate business concern. Its cost of production and distribution of advertisements should be paid for, no matter in what part of the paper they appear.

## A TWO DAYS SALE

That Will Prove a Wonder.

On next Friday and Saturday, the 8th and 9th inst., we will sell

## 165 Men's Suits!

That have sold and are positively worth \$12.50 to \$18 for

**\$7.65 SPOT CASH.**

The Suits are made of Imported Tweeds, Worsted, Cheviots and Cashmere, elegantly trimmed and made by the very best tailor-made clothiers in the country. One reason for selling them at the ridiculously low price of \$7.65 is that they comprise small lots and broken lots out of our spring stock. We do not intend to carry them over into next season, hence if you can find your fit in this lot you will get the best coal and iselling it cheap.

Pensioners will please take notice that Joseph Heiner Post, G. A. R., will have a Notary Public at their hall August 4th from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Why wear steel and nickel spectacle frames when you can get Gold Frames at Murphy's the Jeweler for such low prices? He makes no charge for examining the eyes. A perfect guarantee.

Bob Moore of Lafayette, Ind., says that for constipation he has found DeWitt's Little Early Risers to be perfect.

They never grip. Try them for stomach and liver troubles. Henry W. Ray, Postoffice Druggist.

The band ascended at the Electric Park, and was a greater success than was expected by the managers and spectators. Promptly at the hour advertised Prof. Charles A. Thompson, the aeronaut, started on his journey in the air, and when far above the tremendous crowd that had gathered, gave a most beautiful pyrotechnic display, something entirely new and never before seen in Maysville. The exhibition will be repeated every evening this week and is worth going out to see.

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# TUNNEL DISASTER

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## AN EXPLOSION UNDER LAKE ERIE.

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The Dread Lie in the Tunnel, 6,000 Feet Out Under the Lake—Two Relief Parties Sent Out Checked by Fuel Gas and Smoke.

CLEVELAND, O., July 12.—The lives of 11 men were snuffed out in the twinkling of an eye. Bounding up in the big waterworks tunnel that is being constructed under the bottom of Lake Erie, as a result of an explosion of gas.

Following are the names of those who were killed: John Parks, foreman, 32 years old and single; James Parks, brother of John, 30, years old and single; John Frank, 21, years old and single; Frank Tacker, John Italian, 29, years old and single; John Italian, 18, years old and single; Emerson Smith, bricklayer, 41 years old, married; John McAuley, 21 years old, married; Wm. Tacker, colored, 20 years old and single; Gus Watts, 28 years old, wife and several children; Frank Clements, married, with several children; Frank Hanes, married, with several children.

The tunnel is an immense affair, being projected to extend outward from the shore for a distance of four and a half miles, and it has been under construction for more than a year. The work has been attended with great difficulty. About six weeks ago there was an explosion of gas in the shore end of the big hole, which killed eight men and injured a number of others. Since that time, however, progress of quicksand has struck and work was stopped for some time. The contractors then asked for permission to deflect the course of the tunnel from the route fixed by the city engineers, but were refused. Work was finally resumed and had progressed unevenly until Monday evening, when this latest and most horrible accident came.

The explosion occurred at a few minutes before 7 o'clock Monday evening, but nobody will ever be able to tell what caused it, or how it happened, for every witness is dead and the bodies of all are lying where they fell, 6,000 feet out under the lake. The only man in the tunnel who escaped death is Con. O'Donnell, a lock tender, who was stationed 3,700 feet from the shore.

He heard the explosion or series of explosions. He is there were ten of the shocks, and the concussion was something terrible, for it threw him off his feet, and for hours he was in such a dazed condition that he could scarcely remember what had happened. He finally groped his way out and told what had occurred.

Two men, Patrick Vassar and Martin L. Corbett, were the first to venture into the tunnel after the accident occurred. They made their way to a look 3,200 feet from the shore, but were there overcome by the gas and fell to the floor. When they failed to return, a young man named James Clements, son of one of the men who was killed, and who was employed as a mule driver, went to their rescue. He found the two men lying on the floor, and, after helping them to the shore end of the tunnel, he was able to get them to the surface. This is looked upon as being important.

Another Heroic Rescue.

PLATA DEL ESTE, July 12.—Since the exodus of refugees the Spanish soldiers have indulged in uncontrolled looting of the city. The houses and shops of the fleeing men and women have been entered by bands of armed soldiers, who have robbed them of everything they care to take and destroyed what remains in the cellars of the houses and laundries. Bands of Cuban soldiers report that the enemy, before evacuating the coast town, placed timbers over their entrenchments to represent guns.

Washington, July 12.—Up to midnight no news from either the army or navy at Santiago had reached the departments so far the public was informed. Though the majority of interrupted cable communication was suggested as an explanation for the lack of advice, it was announced at midnight that nothing had been filed at Plata del Este for the officials here.

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MADRID, July 12.—It is asserted that the United States makes the following demands as conditions of peace: First—The possession of Cuba and Porto Rico, with a port in the Canaries. Second—An indemnity of \$45,000,000 (about \$240,000,000). Third—the retention of the Philippines as a guarantee of the payment of the indemnity. These terms are regarded as impossible.

One Miss Arrives on Sagunto.

WASHINGTON, July 12.—Stephen F. Barton, chairman of the central Cuban relief committee, received a telegram Monday from Miss Barton, announcing that she had come to be landed in Cuba Sunday 12 tons of mica-clothesful supplies from her state of Texas.

Death of Ex-Senator Conger.

WASHINGTON, July 12.—A private dispatch received in this city Monday night announced the death of former United States Senator Omar D. Conger, of Michigan, which occurred at Ocean City, Md., Monday afternoon.

## BOARD'S REPORT.

Only One Ship, the Infanta Maria Teresa, Can Be Saved. The Others Were Tenuously Wrecked.

OFF SANTIAGO DE CUBA, July 10, via Kingston, Jamaica, July 12.—The board of survey appointed to examine the wrecks of the Spanish ships and to inquire into the nature of their injuries reports that only one ship can possibly be saved. She is the Infanta Maria Teresa, the former flagship of Admiral Cervera.

The hull of the Cristobal Colon shows she was only hit six times, and then only by shells of eight-inch, five-inch and six-inch caliber. This verifies the story that the commander of the Cristobal Colon was killed because he could not get away from the Brooklyn and Oregon, and to continue the battle meant a sacrifice of life. It was found that the brass plugs of the large guns and the bolts and locks of the small arms had been thrown overboard.

The Vizcaya showed she had been riddled by the Brooklyn and Oregon. She had not been struck by projectiles larger than eight-inch. There was no sign of her having been struck by shells of 12 or 13 inches. Her upper works were riddled by one and six-pounder shells. Nearly all of these shells exploded inside the superstructure and must have driven the men from the guns. This confirms the story of Capt. Eulate that the Brooklyn's secondary battery fire was so terrible that the men deserted their guns.

The survey board arrived at the wrecks of the Almirante Oquendo and Infanta Maria Teresa Monday night at dark and the work consequently was postponed.

## CRUISER NEWARK.

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## INTERESTING NEWS ITEMS.

MONDAY'S STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF THE TREASURY SHOWS: Available Cash Balance, \$280,171,048; Gold Reserve, \$171,729,412.

A well-known aeronaut, who has been fatally injured at Electric Park, East St. Louis, Ill., by falling from a balloon.

Mr. Edwin W. Conger, envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the United States to China has presented his credentials to the emperor.

The Madrid correspondent of the London Times says Sagasta has tendered his resignation, advising a new cabinet, to be composed of the military element.

At Port Said Adm. Camara's ships have been allowed to take on board some coal after furnishing a written guarantee that the entire squadron is returning to Spain direct.

The cruiser Chicago, reconstructed and with increased speed, early next month will leave the New York navy yard, after having been in the hands of workmen for several years.

The Imperialists in the Spanish government probably will telegraph Capt. Gen. Blanco that Spain would reap great advantages by negotiating for peace before Santiago, Manila and perhaps Porto Rico are captured.

Senor Duilio, late secretary of the Spanish legation at Washington, and Lieu. Carranza, military attaché, will leave Montreal Tuesday night by the Dominion steamer Ottomont at the urgent and repeated request of the Spanish government.

Adm. Camara's explanation to a naval officer as to why he took the fleet to Santiago was that he expected to provision and coal, and get away inside of 24 hours, but this was found to be impossible owing to the tropical methods of handling coal.

Thirty-five Red Cross nurses passed through Tampa Monday night, going direct to Fort Tampa. About 500 men comprising the companies of the 1st Ohio and 2nd companies each of the 3d and 5th Ohio arrived and joined their respective regiments Monday.

Troops A and C, New York cavalry, started from Camp Alger Monday on a 10 days' training march. They will go through Virginia towards the Shenandoah Valley, maintaining the vigilance which would be needed were they advanced in an enemy's country.

Advices received in London Monday from Capt. Gen. Alvarado, the chief of the Canadian group, dated July 4, say one Spanish torpedo boat is there and two others are understood to be in the neighboring islands. Matters are quiet and the reserve are still under arms.

The Berlin correspondent of the London Standard says: "The queen regent is willing to open peace negotiations with the United States without any mediation of the powers provided the conditions are not too severe. Her maximum concession at present is a declaration of the independence of Cuba."

Whether Forcetor E. P. Dunn Monday made public a letter telegraphing his resignation to Chief W. H. Moore, Mr. Dunn was given the choice of going to the West Indies or being sent to the Cleveland, O., station. He questioned the authority of the chief to order him from the Cuban station or reduce him to a lesser station.

There is a split in the Spanish cabinet which may result in its resignation and the formation of an intermediary government because Senor Silvela and the conservatives are unwilling to incur the responsibility of the peace negotiations for the best obtainable terms are certain to be trying to Spanish pride, which will demand a segregation.

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